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The above remarkable record of a year's advance in city planning would not be complete without reference to recent developments in propagandist work during the past year. Perhaps the most interesting matter in this field is the conference of national organizations for co-operative endeavor which met for the second time at the National Conference on City Planning in Cleveland last June. At its meeting a committee was appointed from among the delegates to study the possibilities of securing a national bureau for city planning and municipal investigation. Another development in this field in the past year is the launching of the Federation of Massachusetts planning boards, an accomplishment of which much could be said regarding its possibilities for promoting wider interest and constructive planning throughout the State. In Pennsylvania, Texas, California and other States we find leagues of commissions meeting at regular periods to discuss the problems of city planning and to foster legislation and create public interest in the work.

All of us here present are keenly appreciative of the worth, even the vital necessity, of comprehensive planning for our towns and even for our counties and states. We cannot help but be inspired by the splendid showing which the nations of the world, and in particular our own country, have made during the last year. To those of us who have been at work in city planning during the past year, and who have come gradually to a realization of its great importance, it is our duty—I will say more—it is our privilege to spread the gospel far and wide throughout the land. A great campaign of education of the general public to the urgency of planning either through the medium of a national bureau or through private organizations, is vitally necessary. It falls to our lot to see this through.

George B. Ford

TO CERTAIN GOOD COMPANIONS

When we have gone our several ways,
 When you and all of you have gone,
Forgetting what had made our days
 From dawn to dusk, from dusk to dawn . . .

When you remember words no more
 That once were wine unto your thirst
And hearts so generous of their store,
 And morals that were best—and worst . . .

When you forget the taste of beer
 And midnight and the feel of dawn:
Those hours when dreams were real and near
 And doubt of dreams was all withdrawn . . .

When Art has ceased to be the Thing,
 A constant crown, the final boon,
In rooms where you were each a King
 And nights were brief, and dawns too soon . . .

In short—when you have sunk in ease
 And sleep all night in your own house
And live your life by "if you please"
 And haggle with a stupid spouse . . .

Then—have the decency to know
 That you are dead a hundred ways
And keep you silent of the glow
 That shone about your earlier days,

And speak no pity of your youth,
 That brave and foolish youth you knew:
You never will be nearer truth—
 That was the best there is of you

When soul and wine were all your thirst
 And you were quicker than the clod—
Where morals were the best—and worst—
 And you were something of a god.

David Morton